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## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

JEREMY OLSEN,	)	
	)	DEFENDANT'S RESPONSE TO
	)	PLAINTIFF'S STATEMENT OF
Plaintiff,	)	MATERIAL FACTS
	)	
V.	)	Case No. 2:20-cv-374 (SMJ)
	)	
ALEX M. AZAR II, in his official	)	Noticed: Jan. 7, 2021
capacity as Secretary of Health and	)	
Human Services,	)	Without Oral Argument
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Defendant.	)	
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Although this is an administrative record review case, for which no statement of material facts is required, *see* L. Civ. R. 56(i), Plaintiff filed such a statement in support of his motion for summary judgment. But "when a party seeks review of agency action . . . , the district judge sits as an appellate tribunal." *Am. Bioscience, Inc. v. Thompson*, 269 F.3d 1077, 1083 (D.C. Cir. 2001). "The 'entire case' on review is a question of law," *id.*, and the "complaint, properly read

- 1 ... presents no factual allegations, but rather only arguments about the legal
- 2 | conclusion to be drawn about the agency action," Marshall Cnty. Health Care
- 3 Auth. v. Shalala, 988 F.2d 1221, 1226 (D.C. Cir. 1993).
- 4 Because a statement of material facts was not required in this case, which
- 5 | involves no factual disputes, the Secretary does not respond to Plaintiff's
- 6 statement.

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